of chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, the Public Printer shall remit to the Office of Personnel Management for deposit in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund an amount equal to 15 percent of the final basic pay of each employee who is covered under subchapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to whom a voluntary separation incentive has been paid under this section.

"(B) For the purpose of this paragraph, the term 'final basic pay', with respect to an employee—
"(i) means the total amount of basic pay which

"(i) means the total amount of basic pay which would be payable for a year of service by such employee, computed using the employee's final rate of basic pay; and

"(ii) includes an appropriate adjustment to the amount computed under clause (i) if the employee is last serving on other than a full-time basis.

"(6)(A) Subject to subparagraph (B), an employee who has received a voluntary separation incentive payment under this section and accepts employment with the Government of the United States within 5 years after the date of the separation on which the payment is based shall be required to repay the entire amount of the incentive payment to the agency that paid the incentive payment.

"(B)(i) If the employment is with an Executive agency (as defined by section 105 of title 5, United States Code), the Director of the Office of Personnel Management may, at the request of the head of the agency, waive the repayment if the individual involved possesses unique abilities and is the only qualified applicant available for the position.

"(ii) If the employment is with an entity in the legislative branch, the head of the entity or the appointing official may waive the repayment if the individual involved possesses unique abilities and is the only qualified applicant available for the position.

"(iii) If the employment is with the judicial branch, the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts may waive the repayment if the individual involved possesses unique abilities and is the only qualified applicant available for the position.

"(C) For purposes of subparagraph (A) (but not subparagraph (B)), the term 'employment' includes employment under a personal services contract with the United States.

"(7) Not later than January 15, 1999, the Public Printer shall prescribe regulations to carry out this sub-

section.

"(d) RETRAINING, JOB PLACEMENT, AND COUNSELING SERVICES.—(1) In this subsection, the term 'employee'—

"(A) means an employee of the Government Printing Office; and

"(B) shall not include—

"(i) a reemployed annuitant under subchapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, or another retirement system for employees of the Government; or

"(ii) an employee who is employed on a temporary when actually employed basis.

"(2) The Public Printer may establish a program to provide retraining, job placement, and counseling services to employees and former employees.

"(3) A former employee may not participate in a program established under this subsection, if—

"(A) the former employee was separated from service with the Government Printing Office for more than 1 year: or

than 1 year; or
"(B) the separation was by removal for cause on
charges of misconduct or delinquency

"(4) Retraining costs for the program established under this subsection may not exceed \$5,000 for each employee or former employee.

''(e) Administrative Provisions.—(1) The Public Printer—

"(A) may use employees of the Government Printing Office to establish and administer programs and carry out the provisions of this section; and

"(B) may procure temporary and intermittent services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code, to carry out such provisions—

"(i) not subject to the 1 year of service limitation under such section 3109(b); and

"(ii) at rates for individuals which do not exceed the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay prescribed for level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of such title.

"(2) Funds to carry out subsections (a) and (c) may be expended only from funds available for the basic pay of the employee who is receiving the applicable payment.

"(3) Funds to carry out subsection (d) may be expended from any funds made available to the Public Printer."

[Pub. L. 107-68, title II, §210(b), Nov. 12, 2001, 115 Stat. 590, provided that: "The amendments made by this section [amending section 309 of Pub. L. 105-275, set out above] shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1999 [Pub. L. 105-275]."]

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 1704 of this title; title 5 sections 5102, 5349.

## § 306. Public Printer: employment of skilled workmen; trial of skill

The Public Printer shall employ workmen who are thoroughly skilled in their respective branches of industry, as shown by trial of their skill under his direction.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1240.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed.,  $\S41$  (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23,  $\S45$ , 28 Stat. 607).

## $\S 307$ . Public Printer: night work

The Public Printer shall cause the public printing in the Government Printing Office to be done at night as well as through the day, when the exigencies of the public service require it.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1240.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §42 (Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, §47, 28 Stat. 607).

## § 308. Disbursing officer; deputy disbursing officer; certifying officers and employees

(a) The Public Printer shall appoint from time to time a disbursing officer of the Government Printing Office (including the Office of the Superintendent of Documents) who shall be under the direction of the Public Printer. The disbursing officer shall (1) disburse moneys of the Government Printing Office only upon, and in strict accordance with, vouchers certified by the Public Printer or by an officer or employee of the Government Printing Office authorized in writing by the Public Printer to certify such vouchers, (2) make such examination of vouchers as may be necessary to ascertain whether they are in proper form, certified, and approved, and (3) be held accountable accordingly. However, the disbursing officer shall not be held accountable or responsible for any illegal, improper, or incorrect payment resulting from any false, inaccurate, or misleading certificate, the responsibility for which, under subsection (c) of this section, is imposed upon a certifying officer or employee of the Government Printing Office.

(b)(1) Upon the death, resignation, or separation from office of the disbursing officer, his ac-